REMARKS

This response is being submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 11, 2005 for which a response is due on July 11, 2005 with the enclosed one-month extension of time. In the Office Action, the examiner objected to the title for not being descriptive nor precise. In addition, the examiner rejected claims 1-9, 11-14, 35-43, 45-48, 66-72 and 74 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,115,709 issued to Gilmour et al. ("Gilmour"). The examiner also indicated that claims 10, 15-18, 44, 49-52, 73 and 75-76 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. In response, Applicant has amended the title of the invention, as well as claims 1, 3, 6, 7, 9, 11, 13-15, 35, 37, 40, 41, 45, 47-49, 66 and 74-76. Claims 2, 10, 19-34, 36, 44, 53-65 and 73 have been deleted. Claims 1, 3-9, 11-18, 35, 37-43, 45-52, 66-72 and 74-76 remain pending. Reexamination and Reconsideration in light of the amendments and following remarks are respectfully requested.

In accordance with paragraph 18 of the Office Action, Applicant has rewritten the objected to claims in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claims and intervening claims. As such, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance. Applicant further submits that the dependent claims are allowable by virtue of depending on allowable base claims. If there are any questions regarding this Response or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

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